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## BOX PATENT APPLICATION

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RULE 1.53(b)

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b) is a

☐ Continuation ☐ Divisional ☒ Continuation-in-Part

application of prior pending Application No. 09/342,512, filed June 29, 1999,

For (Title): DIGITAL CAMERA, STORAGE MEDIUM FOR IMAGE SIGNAL PROCESSING,  
CARRIER WAVE AND ELECTRONIC CAMERA

By (Inventors): Masahiro SUZUKI (Inzai-shi, Japan); Michihiro TAMUNE (Yokohama-shi, Japan);  
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1. ☐ A Declaration and Power of Attorney is attached. The attached Declaration and Power of Attorney is:
- ☐ a. A copy of the Declaration and Power of Attorney from the parent application. (Used with the same or fewer inventors and (a) a copy of the prior application or (b) a revised, reformatted or edited version of the prior application that does not contain new matter.)
- ☐ b. A new Declaration and Power of Attorney. (Used with the same, fewer or additional inventors and (a) a copy of the prior application, (b) a revised, reformatted or edited version of the prior application that does not contain new matter, or (c) a new specification.)
2. ☒ The filing fee is calculated below:

CLAIMS IN THE APPLICATION AFTER ENTRY OF  
ANY PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT NOTED BELOW

FOR:	NO. FILED	NO. EXTRA
BASIC FEE		
TOTAL CLAIMS	39 - 20	= *19
INDEP CLAIMS	14 - 3	= *11
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## SMALL ENTITY

RATE	FEE
	\$ 345
x 9 =	\$
x 39 =	\$
+130 =	\$
TOTAL	\$

OTHER THAN A  
SMALL ENTITY

RATE	FEE
	\$ 690
x 18	\$ 342
x 78	\$ 858
+260	\$ 0
TOTAL	\$1,890

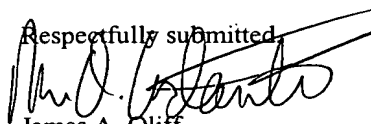
3. ☒ Check No. 106190 in the amount of \$1,890.00 to cover the filing fee is attached. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any other fees that may be required to complete this filing, or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 15-0461. Two duplicate copies of this sheet are attached.
4. ☐ Cancel claims \_\_\_\_\_ of the application before calculating the filing fee. At least one independent claim is retained for filing purposes.

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necessary for entry;  
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5. ☐ Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:  
--This is a ☐ Continuation ☐ Division ☐ Continuation-in-Part of Application No. \_\_\_\_\_ filed \_\_\_\_\_,  
which in turn is a \_\_\_\_\_. The entire disclosure of the prior application(s) is hereby incorporated by  
reference herein in its entirety.--
6. ☒ Formal drawings (Figs. 1-21) are attached.
7. ☒ Priority of foreign applications No. 10-183918 filed June 30, 1998 in Japan, No. 10-183919 filed June 30, 1998 in Japan, No. 10-183920 filed June 30, 1998 in Japan, No. 10-183921 filed June 30, 1998 in Japan, No. 10-237321 filed August 24, 1998 in Japan and No. 11-213299 filed July 28, 1999 in Japan is claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119 and/or § 365(b).
- ☒ The certified copies of foreign applications No. 10-183918, 10-183919, 10-183920, 10-183921 and 10-237321 were filed in Application No. 09/342,512 on August 17, 1999.
- ☒ A certified copy of foreign application 11-213299 is filed herewith.
8. ☐ Priority of U.S. Provisional Application(s) No. \_\_\_\_\_ filed \_\_\_\_\_ is claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119.
- ☐ Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:  
--This nonprovisional application claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application(s) No. \_\_\_\_\_ filed \_\_\_\_\_--
9. ☒ The prior application is assigned of record to Nikon Corporation recorded at Reel 10170, Frame 0816.
10. ☐ This application is filed by fewer than all the inventors named in the prior application (37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b)(1)). Delete the following inventor(s) named in the prior application:  
\_\_\_\_\_  
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11. ☐ A Preliminary Amendment is attached. Claims added by this Amendment are properly numbered consecutively beginning with the number next following the highest numbered claim in the application.
12. ☐ An Information Disclosure Statement is attached.
13. ☐ Small entity status:  
☐ a. A small entity statement is attached.  
☐ b. A small entity statement was filed in the parent application and such status is still proper and desired.  
☐ c. Small entity status is no longer claimed.
14. ☐ Other: \_\_\_\_\_
15. ☒ The power of attorney in the application is to James A. Oliff, Registration No. 27,075, William P. Berridge, Registration No. 30,024, Kirk M. Hudson, Registration No. 27,562, Thomas J. Pardini, Registration No. 30,411, Edward P. Walker, Registration No. 31,450, Robert A. Miller, Registration No. 32,771, Mario A. Costantino, Registration No. 33,565, Caroline D. Dennison, Registration No. 34,494, and/or Stephen J. Roe, Registration No. 34,463.  
☐ a. The power appears in the attached Declaration and Power of Attorney.  
☐ b. Since the power does not appear in the attached Declaration and Power of Attorney, a substitute Power of Attorney is also attached.
16. ☒ Address all future communications to:

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